

STRATØS

SAXOPHONIST // COMPOSER // PRODUCER // PHOTOGRAPHER

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- 2021- released self produced album "[Planets](#)," featuring legendary saxophonist [David Binney](#)
- 2021- won the Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award for "[I. Gate's Opening](#)"
- 2020- won the ASCAP Foundation's "[Johnny Mandel Prize](#)"
- 2020- received a grant from the [Kalamazoo Arts Council](#) for debut album Hohenheim Suites (fall 2022 release)
- 2020- hired as head of transportation for the 2020 Gilmore Keyboard Festival
- 2020- released self-produced EP "[DiE](#)," featuring legendary bassist [John Hébert](#) (Fred Hersch, John Hollenbeck).
- 2020- commissioned by Boston Conservatory at Berklee head of marimba studies, Berklee College of Music faculty member [Nancy Zeltsman](#) and Paul Fadoul.
- 2020- [National Sawdust New Works Commission](#) winner
- 2020- won the Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award for "[Nexus](#)"
- 2019- appointed director of the WMU [University Jazz Lab Band](#)
- 2019- attended Banff Center for the Arts for the Jazz & Creative Music seminar directed by [Vijay Iyer](#) & [Tyshawn Sorey](#)
- 2019- served as artist in residence in Colombia, South America for the [Colombo Americano](#) jazz program
- 2019- won the Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award for "[Obsidian Galaxy](#)"
- 2018- [Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award](#) honorable mention
- 2018- winner of [Downbeat Magazine](#)'s best R&B/Pop/Rock band (Lushh)
- 2017- Harper C. Maybee Scholarship winner (WMU school of music)
- 2017- Howard Lucky Jazz Scholarship winner (WMU school of music)
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- 2016- recorded an album at [Sonic Ranch Studios](#), Tornillo, TX with [MNOE](#) (Mark Niskanen Orchestral Experiment).

Awards/Scholarships

- 2014- Rick Burgess Jazz Scholarship, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2014- Iris Scholarship, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2017-Harper C. Maybee Scholarship, Kalamazoo, MI
- 2017- Howard Lucky Jazz Scholarship, Kalamazoo, MI
- 2018- Western Michigan University Bachelors Degree: Magna Cum Laude (3.75 GPA)
- 2018- Senior Jazz Area Award (Western Michigan University)
- 2020- Western Michigan University Masters Degree